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GROSS TAX COLLECTION IN 2004-05
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the gross tax collection in the first three quarters and the last quarter of 2004-05 as against the targets fixed by the Government in this regard;

(b) whether the tax collection during the said period has recorded increase as compared to corresponding quarters of the previous year;

(c) if so, the details in this regard; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to achieve the targets fixed for tax collection in future?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM)

(a) The details of revenue collection for the period from April-December 2004 in respect of Customs, Central Excise, Service Tax, Corporation Tax and Income Tax vis-a-vis the BE and RE fixed for the year 2004-05 is as under:

Rs.In crores.

BE 2004-05	RE 2004-05	Revenue realized during April-Dec 2004(Prov)	% of BE achieved	% of RE achieved
Customs	54250	56250	41207	75.96	73.26
Excise	108500	100000	68504	63.14	68.50
Service Tax	14150	14150	8332	58.88	58.88
CorporationTax	83436	83000	49868	56.38	60.08
Income Tax	50929	50929	30145	59.19	59.19

Excluding cess administered by other departments.

(b) & (c): The details of revenue collected in 2004-05 (upto December 2004) in respect of Customs, Central Excise,Service Tax,Corporation Tax and Income Tax vis-a-vis the revenue collected during the corresponding quarters of the previous year is as under:

Rs.in crores

	Revenue collected during April-Dec, 2004 (Prov)	Revenue collected during Aprii-Dec, 2003 (Prov)	% Growth over previous year
Customs	41207	36300	13.52
Excise	68504	63616	7.68
Service Tax	8332	5084	63.89
CorporationTax	49868	38100	30.88
Income Tax	30145	26171	15.18

Excluding cess administered by other departments.

(d) The Government has constituted Task Forces to develop and implement multi-pronged strategy for effecting substantial recovery from arrears of direct and indirect taxes.

So far as direct taxes are concerned, the steps taken to augment direct tax collections so as to achieve the targets fixed include monitoring of advance tax payments in respect of top taxpayers, emphasis on collection out of arrears of taxes and monitoring of the cases of top defaulters, computerization of the Departmental business processes and databases for linking of information and reporting of high value transactions, increased efforts for widening of the tax base, etc.

So far as indirect taxes are concerned, a number of steps have been taken to realize greater revenue which include rationalization of tariff structure, review and withdrawal of tax exemptions, wherever necessary, plugging leakage of revenue through anti-smuggling and anti evasion measures, monitoring and disseminating international prices of imported commodities, simplification of tax collection procedures to improve tax compliance, etc.